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APPLICANT(S): William F. Seip

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FOR: Exothermic Chemistry and Method for Generating an Anaerobic Environment

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the present application, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendment.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

At Page 1, after Line 3, insert herewith "This is a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 09/895,953, filed June 29, 2001."

Please amend the above-identified application as stated in the Amendments to the Claims beginning on Page 2 of this Amendment. Please cancel Claims 24-29 without prejudice.